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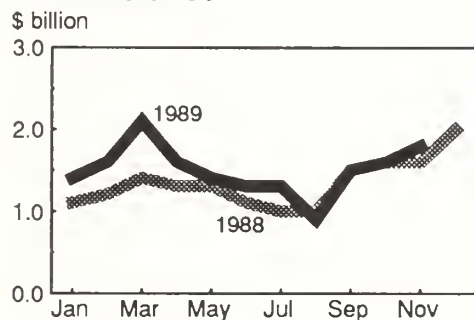
# U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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## Trade Balance



## November Trade Surplus Higher -

The agricultural trade surplus increased for the third consecutive month in November to \$1.8 billion, the most since March. Farm product exports rose to nearly \$3.7 billion, \$263 million above the previous month, while imports were up slightly to \$1.9 billion. The cumulative trade surplus for January-November 1989 reached \$16.4 billion, the biggest since 1984.

## Corn Boosts November Exports -

U.S. agricultural exports rose 8 percent to \$3.7 billion in November. The fall season is generally the heaviest period for exports. Corn shipments to the Soviet Union provided most of the spark, jumping 248 percent from the previous month. Increases in meat, animal fats, corn, live animals, vegetables, soybeans, soybean meal, tobacco, and cotton more than offset declines in wheat, grain sorghum, fruits, and nuts.

Corn exports in November were a record 7.5 million tons valued at \$813 million, surpassing the previous record of 6.2 million tons in November 1980. The Soviet Union took delivery in November of a large portion of the 8 million tons in purchases made during October. Shipments to the Soviet Union totaled 3.4 million tons during November. Japan (1.3 million tons) was the next largest market followed by South Korea (595,000 tons), Mexico (561,000 tons), and Taiwan (478,000 tons). Corn export prices moved up slightly with the increase in export demand.

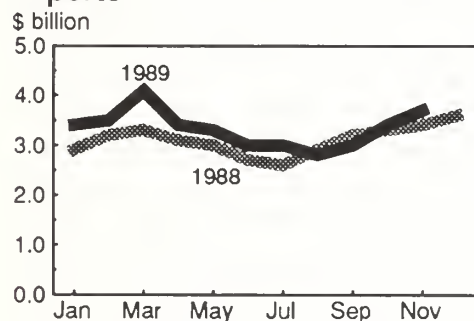
Soybean exports rose 72,000 tons to total 2.1 million tons valued at \$467 million in November. The European Community took heavy shipments of 1.2 million tons, just above the October figure. Japan, Taiwan, and South Korea were also major markets in November. Soybean export prices ended a slide in November by remaining at \$224 a ton.

Wheat exports fell again in November, this time by 23 percent to 1.9 million tons. Shipments to China have slowed considerably. Egypt was again the largest market at 290,000 tons. Japan, China, Pakistan, and South Korea were the other major markets in November.

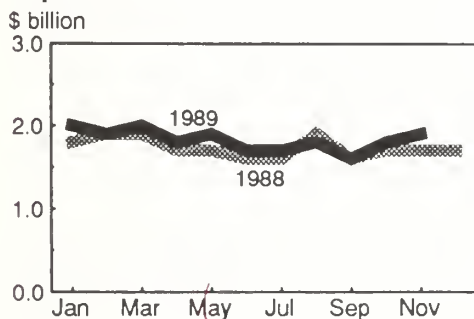
Cotton total export volume was down slightly in November at 113,000 tons, but value climbed steeply to \$184 million with sharply higher prices. Sharp gains were experienced in Pima and other long staple grades to Korea, Italy, and West Germany. Japan, South Korea, the EC, and China were the largest markets for U.S. cotton in November.

Agricultural imports rose 1 percent to \$1.9 billion. Coffee shipments in November fell significantly despite the fact that prices remained around 70 cents a pound for Brazilian coffee in New York. This was down from \$1.46 in January 1989. Value declines in coffee, vegetable oils, and cocoa (as well as several other smaller commodities) just offset increases in live cattle, and dairy products. Fruit and vegetable imports remained virtually unchanged from the previous month. (Stephen R. Milmoe, 202-786-1822)

## Exports



## Imports



## Record Imports from Canada

and Mexico in FY 1989 - Canada and Mexico were the largest suppliers of agricultural commodities to the United States for the third consecutive year in FY 1989. (See table 4) Canada (\$2.8 billion) and Mexico (\$2.1 billion), combined for 23 percent of total U.S. agricultural imports. After decades in which Brazil was our premier supplier, Canadian and Mexican suppliers have dominated in recent years.

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Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	33,502,391	36,432,508	--	--	3,350,035	3,654,126
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	5,856,197	5,843,620	--	--	617,748	539,988
Animals live - excl poultry (NA)	--	--	466,389	355,767	--	--	73,337	51,188
Cattle and calves - live (NO)	290	158	182,170	99,477	26	12	19,953	9,493
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	25	39	234,582	207,669	2	4	41,554	37,316
Swine, live (NO)	89	86	14,079	12,634	40	5	3,951	1,035
Sheep, live (NO)	155	288	7,591	9,704	28	29	1,132	855
Other live animals (NA)	--	--	27,969	26,284	--	--	6,747	2,490
Meats and meat products (MT)	617	838	1,796,279	2,168,437	69	80	216,073	201,816
Beef and veal (MT)	208	357	1,012,035	1,314,731	25	34	126,653	117,355
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	204	349	993,267	1,290,655	24	33	124,299	115,098
Beef - prep or pres (MT)	4	8	18,768	24,076	1	1	2,354	2,257
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	47	54	95,196	122,885	4	5	9,681	11,514
Pork (MT)	57	84	226,302	301,584	7	9	28,183	34,973
Pork - fresh or froz (MT)	49	72	206,119	273,928	6	8	25,002	31,195
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	7	12	20,182	27,656	1	1	3,181	3,777
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	287	245	414,575	348,791	30	21	46,559	30,291
Other meats - fr or prep (MT)	18	98	48,172	80,447	2	10	4,997	7,684
Poultry and poultry products (NA)	--	--	619,265	659,025	--	--	62,684	66,615
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	77,060	74,675	--	--	6,860	6,218
Baby chicks (NO)	36,087	31,221	69,917	63,714	3,718	2,191	6,057	5,554
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	7,144	10,961	--	--	802	664
Poultry meats (MT)	360	451	405,568	471,616	35	53	42,317	51,270
Chickens - fresh or frozen (MT)	318	410	351,189	414,110	31	49	36,701	45,938
Turkeys - fresh or frozen (MT)	21	17	22,072	21,947	2	1	2,563	1,920
Other poultry - fr or froz (MT)	14	13	15,109	15,087	1	1	1,454	1,381
Poultry meats - prep or pres (MT)	7	11	17,198	20,473	1	1	1,600	2,030
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	2	2	28,000	29,078	0	0	2,776	927
Eggs (NA)	--	--	108,636	83,657	--	--	10,731	8,200
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	520,140	384,252	--	--	47,813	25,924
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	3	13	3,903	19,858	1	0	959	141
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	205	117	223,660	101,938	13	4	18,179	2,928
Butter & anhyd milkfat (MT)	8	22	9,229	37,920	0	1	69	2,550
Cheese (MT)	22	9	41,922	22,212	1	2	2,778	2,244
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	--	--	37,139	38,226	--	--	6,486	2,554
Other dairy prods (NA)	--	--	204,287	164,098	--	--	19,342	15,507
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	1,275	1,248	523,740	468,496	130	105	51,704	38,675
Lard (MT)	51	50	25,465	23,753	5	3	2,288	1,459
Tallow - inedible (MT)	1,106	993	436,183	359,165	113	90	42,669	31,667
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	118	204	62,091	85,579	13	12	6,747	5,550
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	1,696,959	1,570,483	--	--	143,687	134,534
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	19,923	24,171	1,359,478	1,226,552	2,118	2,108	118,879	106,238
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	--	--	22,432	35,960	--	--	2,330	3,492
Other hides & skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	134,552	161,496	--	--	17,325	16,743
Furskins (NA)	--	--	180,497	146,475	--	--	5,153	8,060
Mink pelts (NO)	2,355	3,142	82,672	93,828	77	161	2,666	5,617
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	97,825	52,647	--	--	2,487	2,443
Wool and mohair (MT)	7	6	38,294	35,886	1	1	4,583	3,718
Sausage casings (MT)	10	9	27,214	27,897	1	1	2,373	3,016
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	40,004	45,626	--	--	4,875	5,593
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	--	--	127,913	127,751	--	--	10,618	8,908
Grains and feeds (MT)	101,593	108,676	12,602,137	15,707,415	8,338	11,300	1,252,223	1,489,846
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	37,796	34,201	4,461,604	5,502,841	2,539	1,868	395,621	305,176
Wheat flour (MT)	1,173	1,124	170,663	254,817	67	135	14,089	30,923
Bulgur wheat (MT)	115	16	22,663	2,909	3	1	603	160
Other wheat products (MT)	13	12	8,734	10,564	1	1	825	1,025
Rice-paddy, milled, parb. (MT)	1,993	2,794	718,888	886,402	241	265	81,215	88,129
Feed grains and products (MT)	49,579	59,810	5,313,636	7,043,087	4,345	8,155	551,663	896,072
Feed grains (MT)	49,357	59,406	5,241,546	6,915,830	4,318	8,122	542,780	885,868
Barley (MT)	1,840	1,514	151,340	185,228	53	98	8,305	12,158
Corn (MT)	41,719	49,950	4,507,976	5,839,936	3,798	7,458	479,667	813,280
Grain sorghums (MT)	5,773	7,848	579,511	880,250	464	564	54,591	60,308
Oats (MT)	7	11	823	1,517	1	1	133	116
Rye (MT)	18	83	1,896	8,898	1	0	83	7
Feed grain products (MT)	222	404	72,089	127,257	27	33	8,883	10,203
Popcorn (MT)	62	69	32,158	38,611	5	7	3,360	3,814
Blended food prods (MT)	178	202	54,482	57,464	9	20	3,197	6,150
Other grain products (MT)	217	499	156,626	267,288	24	80	16,713	33,571
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	10,467	9,949	1,662,683	1,643,430	1,103	769	184,935	124,827
Corn by-products (MT)	5,532	4,627	801,077	675,066	644	372	96,202	53,011
Alfalfa meal and cubes (MT)	632	481	89,976	70,923	54	49	8,075	7,366
Beet pulp (MT)	734	523	85,316	66,590	119	64	14,851	8,062
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	602	665	79,051	79,746	7	1	921	289
Other feeds and fodders (MT)	2,967	3,653	607,263	751,106	280	284	64,886	56,099
Fruits & preps, excl juice (MT)	1,847	1,957	1,386,329	1,457,076	183	184	130,095	140,398
Fruits - fresh (MT)	1,576	1,661	1,019,111	1,059,638	155	154	92,964	97,667
Fruits - fresh - citrus (MT)	909	955	501,317	543,996	74	71	40,572	45,886
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	435	459	209,289	227,570	36	34	17,888	18,121
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	134	129	96,572	96,875	15	14	10,461	11,366
Oranges & tangerines-fresh (MT)	331	366	187,659	218,246	21	24	11,698	16,358
Fruits - fresh - noncitrus (MT)	667	706	517,794	515,642	81	83	52,393	51,781
Apples - fresh (MT)	250	224	118,667	112,275	45	45	22,075	21,488
Grapes - fresh (MT)	121	127	118,159	123,111	19	18	18,273	18,620
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	296	355	280,968	280,256	17	19	12,044	11,673
Fruits - dried (MT)	153	151	244,906	243,560	15	18	24,054	28,739
Raisins - dried (MT)	90	85	140,198	137,105	8	8	12,059	12,829
Prunes - dried (MT)	54	57	86,559	91,254	6	9	9,868	14,024
Other dried fruits (MT)	9	9	18,148	15,201	1	1	2,127	1,886

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	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989
Fruits - canned excl juice (MT)	68	70	72,621	70,923	8	6	8,428	6,479
Fruits - frozen excl juice (MT)	27	29	25,652	29,201	3	3	2,169	2,311
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	23	45	24,038	53,754	3	4	2,479	5,203
Fruit juices, incl frozen (HL)	5,346	4,642	246,862	248,677	340	335	17,401	17,189
Orange juice (HL)	2,387	2,614	113,241	127,036	175	196	10,027	9,708
Other fruit juices (HL)	2,959	2,028	133,621	121,641	165	139	7,375	7,481
Wine (HL)	55	700	74,517	87,150	4	58	6,012	7,867
Nuts and preparations (MT)	389	445	807,034	780,488	57	58	99,055	101,814
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	170	147	541,982	454,684	15	14	46,545	47,947
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	129	214	105,031	148,451	22	25	16,881	16,107
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	68	64	96,000	115,437	18	17	26,257	29,724
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	2	4	7,529	9,894	0	0	1,071	1,032
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	19	16	56,492	52,021	2	2	8,301	7,005
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	1,210,959	1,456,541	--	--	134,474	166,406
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	574	644	283,835	306,884	59	52	27,708	21,557
Celery - fresh (MT)	51	57	16,595	18,112	5	6	1,647	1,953
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	15	26	8,962	15,671	2	3	1,107	1,941
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	138	145	44,568	45,253	14	14	4,348	4,263
Onions - fresh (MT)	101	76	27,578	19,828	16	11	4,216	2,519
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	36	116	13,602	43,216	2	2	829	622
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	67	73	43,056	46,502	6	5	4,242	3,083
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	166	150	129,472	118,303	14	10	11,119	7,175
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	231	255	166,420	191,650	24	26	17,848	19,892
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	47	50	34,280	37,843	5	5	3,810	4,223
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	129	150	88,837	101,298	14	15	9,464	10,371
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	55	54	43,304	52,510	5	6	4,574	5,298
Vegetables - canned (MT)	163	139	136,766	126,939	19	17	16,566	15,874
Pulses (MT)	466	478	202,435	257,364	42	68	22,506	40,572
Dried beans (MT)	310	324	151,444	201,104	30	54	17,912	35,598
Dried peas (MT)	121	109	37,042	33,941	10	10	3,254	3,212
Dried lentils (MT)	36	45	13,949	22,318	3	4	1,341	1,762
Hops, incl hop ext (MT)	8	17	58,247	83,448	2	3	11,692	19,010
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	--	--	363,256	490,255	--	--	38,155	49,502
Oilseeds & prods (MT)	24,349	19,324	6,964,564	5,708,161	2,184	2,567	686,264	627,094
Oilcake and meal (MT)	5,930	3,977	1,459,934	1,042,829	393	341	114,209	76,884
Soybean meal (MT)	5,743	3,858	1,427,555	1,024,351	371	337	109,078	75,917
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	186	119	32,379	18,477	22	4	5,131	967
Oilseeds (MT)	16,876	13,983	4,582,884	3,856,071	1,690	2,148	506,867	499,837
Soybeans (MT)	16,487	13,271	4,368,343	3,536,807	1,667	2,086	487,796	467,301
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	199	97	75,160	44,381	7	11	4,305	5,894
Peanuts, incl. oilstock (MT)	36	47	30,304	34,786	7	9	6,230	6,235
Other oilseeds (MT)	101	511	28,359	140,192	2	35	845	9,633
Protein substances (MT)	53	58	80,718	99,906	6	8	7,689	10,773
Vegetable oils (MT)	1,543	1,364	921,746	809,261	100	78	65,188	50,374
Soybean oil (MT)	821	649	447,985	335,021	50	37	29,156	19,107
Cottonseed oil (MT)	164	191	86,710	94,844	13	8	7,400	3,761
Sunflower oil (MT)	249	196	120,965	97,528	14	7	7,091	3,753
Corn oil (MT)	146	160	91,048	99,897	12	12	7,508	8,337
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	163	168	175,037	181,971	12	13	14,033	15,417
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	198	206	1,120,367	1,226,579	21	32	129,237	192,875
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	45	48	298,257	333,208	2	1	12,417	5,869
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	106	106	650,355	690,007	14	26	91,369	167,077
Other tobacco - unmf (MT)	47	52	171,755	203,364	5	5	25,451	19,929
Cotton, excl. lint (MT)	1,155	1,384	1,768,263	1,999,567	87	113	121,542	184,245
Cotton lint (MT)	40	43	14,818	16,994	4	3	1,659	1,242
Essential oils (MT)	8	13	109,180	167,802	1	1	10,356	13,695
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	255	468	363,404	428,963	31	28	46,447	42,196
Sugar & tropical prods (MT)	703	837	699,175	639,904	90	82	70,611	69,858
Sugar & related prods (MT)	595	700	199,381	285,986	79	70	19,398	31,031
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	274	394	98,249	145,687	22	48	6,973	19,481
Related sugar prods (MT)	321	306	101,132	140,299	57	22	12,424	11,550
Coffee (MT)	10	16	67,071	83,930	1	1	5,953	9,186
Cocoa (MT)	7	9	15,692	23,674	1	1	2,571	1,947
Chocolate & prep (MT)	32	50	113,879	142,628	4	6	15,443	18,298
Tea & mate (MT)	3	6	15,485	28,068	0	1	1,585	2,722
Spices (MT)	8	8	24,820	22,798	1	1	2,393	2,170
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	25	39	41,457	48,591	2	2	3,831	4,126
Other misc veg prods (MT)	24	35	119,801	197,209	2	2	13,497	23,492
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	--	--	76,080	106,440	--	--	5,890	9,148
Beverages ex juices (NA)	--	--	82,703	359,923	--	--	7,523	26,773
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	--	--	9,549,095	10,963,988	--	--	763,637	873,609
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	2,315,342	2,679,272	0	4	191,839	176,136
Fish & shellfish (MT)	589	589	2,118,672	2,171,361	38	30	113,138	118,703
Fish - fresh or prep (MT)	344	396	1,418,061	1,321,705	17	18	57,568	59,911
Shellfish (MT)	68	112	441,763	575,874	5	8	29,521	44,746
Other fish products (MT)	177	80	258,848	273,781	17	3	26,049	14,046
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	261	234	1,529,859	1,180,788	21	17	122,463	98,555
Fungicides (MT)	34	24	206,986	134,246	2	2	12,923	12,638
Herbicides (MT)	152	115	833,996	587,297	14	8	72,596	51,935
Insecticides (MT)	52	62	350,875	225,502	4	4	29,101	12,667
Other pesticides (MT)	24	34	138,001	233,744	1	3	7,843	21,314
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	957,480	1,715,031	--	--	78,175	145,580
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	63	24	427,182	549,963	5	2	38,928	46,475
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	530,298	1,165,068	--	--	39,246	99,105
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	2,627,743	3,217,536	--	--	258,022	334,634

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	19,280,578	20,002,427	--	--	1,739,346	1,850,790
Noncompetitive agr. imports (NA)	--	--	5,771,258	5,723,235	--	--	487,264	438,080
Bananas and plantains (MT)	2,785	2,847	767,402	800,922	247	264	70,252	74,802
Coffee, including products (MT)	900	1,105	2,299,534	2,280,324	75	108	192,538	158,678
Cocoa and products (MT)	459	532	914,970	915,973	35	40	59,439	68,804
Tea and mate' (MT)	83	85	117,642	126,863	7	7	9,849	12,213
Spices (MT)	110	100	307,386	255,454	8	8	21,915	19,994
Rubber & allied gums-crude (MT)	791	856	929,710	905,942	78	80	95,270	65,674
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	5,843	11,281	0	0	808	902
Wool, unmanufactured-carpet (MT)	589	16	43,731	54,899	1	1	3,741	2,814
Fibers, excluding cotton (MT)	35	98	22,359	44,094	2	8	1,426	3,506
Essential oils (MT)	11	16	135,530	124,381	1	2	11,915	10,660
Drugs - crude - natural (MT)	50	40	210,153	202,194	4	3	17,674	20,034
Other noncompetitive imports (N)	--	--	16,997	909	--	--	2,436	0
Competitive agricult imports (NA)	--	--	13,509,320	14,279,192	--	--	1,252,082	1,412,710
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	4,805,177	4,563,905	--	--	409,511	462,206
Animals-live, excl. poultry (NO)	2,096	2,337	676,654	705,256	177	254	57,918	92,374
Cattle - live (NO)	1,195	1,190	540,959	558,805	61	187	38,639	78,207
Horses & mules - live (NO)	9	10	57,044	48,181	1	2	8,504	8,295
Swine - live(NO)	783	985	73,673	92,326	107	62	9,060	5,699
Sheep - live (NO)	0	139	0	5,476	0	3	0	155
Other live animals (NO)	109	12	4,977	468	8	0	1,715	18
Meats & prods exc. poultry (MT)	1,189	1,017	2,555,676	2,312,165	89	89	198,155	219,997
Beef and veal (MT)	745	645	1,601,852	1,502,934	53	59	119,375	145,758
Beef & veal-fresh/frozen (MT)	673	583	1,424,580	1,329,941	47	53	103,561	129,725
Beef & veal-prep or pres (MT)	72	62	177,272	172,993	6	5	15,813	16,033
Pork (MT)	404	322	858,981	689,307	32	26	67,560	62,572
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	263	210	445,195	362,485	20	17	32,421	31,581
Pork-prepared, preservd (MT)	141	111	413,787	326,822	12	9	35,139	30,991
Mutton, goat, & lamb (MT)	18	19	36,517	39,761	1	1	3,099	2,950
Variety meats-fresh/froz (MT)	8	12	11,213	20,613	1	1	916	1,752
Other meats-fresh or froz(MT)	3	3	16,016	18,141	0	0	3,043	1,603
Other meats & products (MT)	10	17	31,079	41,396	1	2	4,162	5,360
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	89,689	125,071	--	--	10,290	11,770
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	6,993	16,234	--	--	709	1,157
Poultry meat (MT)	3	3	11,768	13,345	0	0	1,566	1,498
Eggs (NA)	--	--	14,171	26,094	--	--	1,382	2,129
Feathers & downs - crude (MT)	9	12	56,756	69,398	1	1	6,632	6,986
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	795,638	773,700	--	--	83,484	96,798
Milk & cream, fres/dried (MT)	13	14	12,618	14,582	1	1	742	707
Butter & butterfat mixt (MT)	1	2	1,697	3,444	0	0	205	243
Cheese (MT)	102	111	321,720	334,283	13	15	41,470	44,885
Casein & mixtures (MT)	80	78	271,239	372,606	5	9	23,340	45,123
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	188,363	48,785	--	--	17,727	5,841
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	19	13	17,854	12,345	1	1	1,478	1,242
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	226,060	199,344	--	--	15,354	11,910
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	5	7	37,703	34,751	0	0	1,385	2,036
Oth hides & skins ex fur (NA)	--	--	54,311	55,962	--	--	6,004	4,316
Furskins (NA)	--	--	134,047	108,631	--	--	7,964	5,557
Wool-unmfg, apparel grades (MT)	39	42	236,596	224,267	3	2	23,531	9,915
Sausage casings (MT)	11	13	60,429	60,354	1	1	5,281	3,436
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	2,483	2,772	--	--	501	260
Misc animal products (NA)	--	--	144,098	148,631	--	--	13,519	14,504
Grains, products, & feeds (MT)	2,926	3,371	832,541	1,116,263	284	370	95,842	125,428
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	420	300	55,880	52,390	24	76	3,762	12,423
Corn, unmilled (MT)	0	47	0	18,389	0	6	0	544
Oats, unmilled (MT)	758	1,181	93,519	144,260	85	123	11,916	12,630
Barley, unmilled (MT)	244	230	22,768	40,232	33	33	5,298	5,290
Rice (MT)	99	113	49,906	55,161	9	10	4,608	5,286
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	115	153	247,553	313,256	15	18	33,107	41,065
Pasta & noodles (MT)	96	123	76,741	106,912	9	12	7,397	10,720
Other grains & preps (NA)	--	--	132,121	163,056	--	--	14,912	14,986
Feeds & fodders ex oilcake (MT)	957	942	154,052	222,605	89	72	14,843	22,485
Fruits & preparations (MT)	1,555	1,762	967,785	1,018,551	85	93	54,226	56,727
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	1,123	1,266	622,726	643,095	43	42	18,514	17,668
Strawberries fresh o/froz (MT)	45	39	32,287	32,676	2	2	2,258	2,653
Apples, fresh (MT)	118	112	51,203	45,064	8	6	3,446	1,458
Citrus, fresh (MT)	80	64	16,203	14,661	12	9	2,952	1,959
Grapes, fresh (MT)	301	270	246,763	210,434	0	1	9	720
Mangoes (MT)	35	52	28,840	42,121	0	0	18	119
Melons (MT)	314	462	78,303	120,459	11	11	3,305	3,118
Pineapples (MT)	76	93	28,033	39,666	7	9	3,248	3,826
Oth fruits- fresh o/froz (MT)	154	174	141,094	138,013	3	3	3,279	3,815
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	432	496	345,059	375,456	42	52	35,712	39,059
Pineapples-canned or prep (MT)	230	280	142,673	159,878	19	27	11,436	15,080
Other fruits-prep or pres (MT)	202	216	202,386	215,578	23	24	24,276	23,979
Orange juice (HL)	14,042	12,885	493,668	397,218	1,859	2,066	69,013	51,836
Other fruit juices (HL)	9,639	11,706	240,291	260,434	1,171	1,186	27,805	26,056
Nuts & preparations (MT)	123	122	288,252	313,882	14	18	36,342	42,468
Brazil nuts (MT)	9	6	12,883	15,699	1	0	2,101	1,347
Cashew nuts (MT)	36	45	180,839	198,251	4	5	20,867	21,804
Chestnuts (MT)	3	4	6,717	9,078	2	3	4,112	6,543
Coconut meat (MT)	40	43	38,034	34,094	4	5	3,730	3,530
Filberts (MT)	2	1	8,473	1,365	1	0	1,709	38
Macademia nuts (MT)	1	2	11,810	20,531	0	0	2,093	1,670
Pistachio nuts (MT)	1	1	4,985	4,866	0	0	237	1,993
Other nuts (MT)	31	20	24,510	29,999	3	4	1,492	5,543

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Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity -- continued

Commodity and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989	1988	1989
Vegetables & preparations (NA)	--	--	1,472,314	1,873,094	--	--	130,028	153,586
Vegetables-fresh or frozen (MT)	1,562	1,713	660,468	889,917	123	139	56,088	70,040
Tomatoes (MT)	364	373	154,678	216,275	17	21	7,587	7,653
Asparagus (MT)	14	15	18,173	17,630	1	1	1,502	1,751
Beans (MT)	13	23	9,535	19,999	0	1	344	1,000
Carrots (MT)	49	49	12,460	10,705	8	9	1,896	1,651
Cucumbers (MT)	169	168	38,444	76,351	19	19	6,051	9,716
Eggplant (MT)	15	15	7,688	7,775	1	1	807	673
Garlic (MT)	17	16	10,794	13,547	0	1	136	714
Lettuce (MT)	0	25	0	8,649	0	0	0	84
Onions (MT)	174	151	71,848	58,682	8	8	5,922	5,690
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	31	42	28,318	42,511	5	4	3,418	3,082
Peppers (MT)	117	126	65,282	100,741	5	4	4,706	6,158
Potatoes (MT)	208	253	43,306	70,419	22	25	5,622	6,544
Squash (MT)	55	67	28,197	30,398	5	6	2,386	2,672
Other vegg-fresh or froz (MT)	335	390	171,744	216,235	30	37	15,711	22,650
Vegetables-prep or preserv (NA)	--	--	811,846	983,177	--	--	73,941	83,546
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	67	63	120,514	130,733	6	7	12,036	15,969
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	48	54	110,148	129,187	1	2	3,126	5,470
Hops, incl extract (MT)	5	6	25,992	25,188	0	0	71	950
Artichokes - prepared (MT)	16	16	31,964	32,943	0	1	1,041	2,918
Asparagus - prepared (MT)	2	1	5,277	2,558	0	0	919	197
Tomatoes inc paste & sauce(MT)	115	166	69,022	151,239	15	14	9,669	11,027
Waterchestnuts (MT)	31	29	23,357	22,122	2	2	1,415	1,237
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	41	61	20,074	33,651	4	3	2,340	2,010
Oth vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	--	--	405,498	455,556	--	--	43,324	43,768
Sugar and related products (NA)	--	--	615,963	896,747	--	--	50,255	84,822
Sugar - cane & beet (MT)	1,080	1,457	384,688	558,704	90	119	33,071	50,680
Molasses - inedible (MT)	894	6,307	65,616	56,997	50	1,093	3,043	7,375
Confectionery products (MT)	37	97	56,967	166,940	3	9	4,298	15,800
Oth sugar & related prods (MT)	313	263	108,692	114,106	24	25	9,843	10,967
Spices (MT)	21	17	29,455	32,930	2	2	3,078	1,913
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	192	164	547,008	508,757	12	13	38,874	40,226
Tobacco - filler (MT)	162	150	512,508	490,947	11	13	36,577	38,557
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	13	13	14,835	5,458	1	0	891	255
Other tobacco (MT)	18	1	19,665	12,352	0	0	1,407	1,413
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	14,174	12,913	1,808,978	1,703,110	1,252	1,254	190,095	205,003
Wine (HL)	2,720	2,600	864,659	853,579	338	359	113,859	129,499
Malt beverages (HL)	10,312	9,575	861,442	796,380	833	815	69,740	69,856
Other beverages (HL)	1,142	737	82,877	53,151	81	80	6,496	5,648
Oilseeds & products (MT)	1,717	1,697	829,434	827,766	193	175	94,623	82,879
Oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	246	422	84,302	157,037	32	54	11,447	17,449
Flaxseed (MT)	92	156	24,110	52,306	10	12	3,166	3,880
Sesameseed (MT)	31	37	23,695	36,191	2	4	1,988	3,948
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	122	228	36,496	68,540	20	38	6,294	9,620
Oils & waxes-vegetable (MT)	1,226	951	701,624	613,983	132	97	77,412	61,471
Castor oil (MT)	29	34	26,695	30,593	4	6	3,160	5,340
Coconut oil (MT)	416	335	209,810	160,349	28	38	15,319	17,719
Olive oil (MT)	64	73	114,300	137,524	8	7	11,878	13,262
Palm oil (MT)	162	105	54,792	39,974	12	8	4,877	2,426
Palm kernel oil (MT)	183	140	96,817	71,919	29	18	16,506	7,871
Other oils & waxes-veg. (MT)	372	265	199,210	173,625	53	21	25,673	14,854
Oilcake & meal (MT)	245	324	43,508	56,746	30	25	5,763	3,958
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	0	1	295	3,258	0	0	0	18
Cotton linters (MT)	25	13	6,444	5,567	1	3	368	1,312
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	136	147	140,628	171,910	8	8	11,374	11,307
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	259,839	277,339	--	--	27,481	24,111
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	--	--	136,393	181,724	--	--	9,381	32,627
Other vegetable products (MT)	13	37	34,854	126,737	1	4	3,786	10,185
Selected non-agric. imports (NA)	--	--	8,049,024	9,387,125	--	--	719,636	813,859
Fertilizers (MT)	14,322	40,466	1,292,284	1,506,859	1,272	1,083	118,283	113,995
Potassium (MT)	6,354	5,937	564,207	526,008	592	492	52,067	44,091
Nitrogen (MT)	6,487	30,843	565,168	659,558	596	286	56,153	49,084
Phosphate (MT)	784	3,640	53,019	313,660	41	303	2,739	20,598
Mixed & organic fertilizers(MT)	697	0	109,891	0	43	0	7,324	0
Fish and shellfish(MT)	39,481	1,367	4,224,101	4,993,878	5,390	115	406,668	454,205
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	642	967	1,709,115	2,545,055	52	77	143,044	197,206
Shellfish (MT)	302	321	2,391,841	2,401,311	32	35	252,940	253,868
Fish products, other (MT)	38,537	79	123,145	47,511	5,306	3	10,684	3,131
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	60	84	347,169	461,031	2	7	15,519	40,472
Fungicides (MT)	6	14	43,686	47,719	0	1	3,765	3,408
Herbicides (MT)	30	12	171,541	127,569	1	1	11,680	7,021
Insecticides (MT)	11	3	81,706	34,363	0	0	74	1,548
Other pesticides (MT)	13	55	50,236	251,380	0	5	0	28,496
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	2,113,256	2,345,905	--	--	170,608	197,324
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	98	1,352	1,088,769	1,059,957	7	147	78,018	95,422
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	--	--	1,024,487	1,285,948	--	--	92,590	101,902
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	72,214	79,453	--	--	8,557	7,863



Table 3--U.S. agricultural trade summary (\$ Million)

Item	Sept	Oct	Nov	CY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Agricultural exports	3,011	3,392	3,654	36,433	8.7
Imports (c.i.f.)	1,751	2,029	2,026	22,135	4.4
Imports (Customs val.)	1,560	1,824	1,851	20,002	3.7
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus cif imports	1,260	1,363	1,628	14,298	16.6
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,451	1,568	1,803	16,430	15.5
Preliminary data.					

Table 4--Leading sources of U.S. agricultural imports

Country	FY 1988		FY 1989	
	Rank	\$ Mil.	Rank	\$ Mil.
Canada	1	2,370	1	2,785
Mexico	2	1,903	2	2,093
Brazil	3	1,899	3	1,574
Australia	4	1,151	4	1,025
Indonesia	5	839	5	864
New Zealand	7	788	6	840
Colombia	6	804	7	820
Netherlands	8	747	8	765
France	9	733	9	728
Italy	11	566	10	589
West Germany	12	528	11	544
Denmark	10	575	12	492
Philippines	13	440	13	465
Thailand	20	328	14	434
Malaysia	15	424	15	424

Table 5--U.S. agricultural exports (\$ Million)

Commodity group	Sept	Oct	Nov	CY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	3,011	3,392	3,654	36,433	8.7
Live animals	72	52	57	430	-20.8
Meat & preps	215	248	253	2,640	19.9
Dairy prod & eggs	51	40	34	468	-25.6
Animal fats	55	48	39	468	-10.5
Hides & skins	127	143	135	1,570	-7.5
Wheat	653	393	305	5,503	23.3
Rice	92	92	88	886	23.3
Corn	310	482	813	5,840	29.5
Other feed grains	120	105	73	1,076	46.7
Animal feeds	177	203	202	2,686	-14.0
Soybeans	119	452	467	3,537	-19.0
Vegetable oils	112	69	50	809	-12.2
Horticult. prods.	407	524	485	4,565	9.6
Cotton & linters	170	177	185	2,017	13.1
Tobacco, unmgf.	71	106	193	1,227	9.5
Preliminary data.					

Table 6--U.S. agricultural imports (\$ Million, Customs value)

Commodity group	Sept	Oct	Nov	CY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	1,560	1,824	1,851	20,002	3.7
Live animals	48	55	94	721	5.5
Meat & preps.	180	218	221	2,326	-9.4
Dairy prod, eggs	77	89	99	800	-1.2
Grains & feeds	98	116	125	1,116	34.1
Fruits & nuts	191	235	252	2,791	1.2
Vegetables	116	142	154	1,873	27.2
Vegetable oils	46	64	61	614	-12.5
Wine	79	130	129	854	-1.3
Malt beverages	66	62	70	796	-7.6
Coffee	212	212	159	2,280	-0.8
Cocoa	73	85	69	916	0.1
Rubber, natural	63	67	66	906	-2.6
Sugar	35	38	51	559	45.2
Tobacco, unmgf.	36	48	40	509	-7.0
Seeds, flowers	62	58	68	631	17.5
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